PLOWED UNDER

arthres me much, the house that I have Of west and become.

As in my karter ders untay I belied. Plowing the Justice. Armides of suchs that grain by grain have laid Their sing en lookingsty raid— Ware over channel by my unimppy raid— Fort and escarapment.

The allver repeats durating gymnast spen Met well dissiler That a who it's she walched the spiler run Bussed out with laughter.

Beneath a roof where dandellou stars The rafters glided, Seared by no statemental tests over here, House three had fulleded.

I peeped within, despite a westry bold Of density metal.

Whose stinging impodence I knew of old—
life name was Nettle!

It was not his cub- protest made me spare My sparrow tenants; I vanquished into, but left still fluttering there. The flower pennants.

and old I grows that I who hate to rough Have turned blind little moles out of their

Beneath my furrow!

-- May Riley builth in Wide Awake.

QUELLING A MUTINY.

"Am I fond of yachting? Well, no. I can't say that I am, although I once owned as pretty a craft as ever flew a pennant. I made but one cruise, and the experience of that trip was of such a nature that I bade farewell to sait water and pleasure craft for good and all. I lost my heart, however, before I got through with it; and as it has been a matter of considerable equalition among my friends as to just how I won the best woman on earth, I don't mind telling you the story, if you are all so inclined."

It was at the Hoffman, in the celebrated "pink room." that the popular and genial Harry Lucy was entertaining a member of his club friends and old associates. He had lately returned from Europe, where he had been absent two years or more; and upon his return to the shores of his native land had brought with him, to the no small astonishment of his intimate acquaintances, a bride possessing both beauty and rare accomplishments, to share his love and the ample fortune that he had inherited.

Settling back into the depths of his luxurious chair, and lighting a fresh cigar, the host, amid a general chorus of eager assent, began his story:

I was beginning to weary of Paris, and had lost all interest in the gay city, when it was proposed one evening to drop into De Morcerf's, a fashionable gambling resort, where one was almost certain of meeting the leading celebrities of the gay city.

It was late when we arrived; the rooms were crowded with tables running, surrounded by a jostling throng intent upon the turn of a card or the twirling of a

The center of attraction, however, clustered around a young Irish nobleman who had been going at a rapid pace for some time, and whose escapades had been the talk of Paris for the past month.

Poor fellow! I shall never forget the pale and haggard expression his hand-some features bore that night. It had been whispered that he had about arrived at the end of his resources, and the crash could not be much longer averted. He was the owner of a yacht possessing great speed, unrivaled for sea qualities, while the cabins and appointments were reputed to be something more than luxurious and ornate. The stakes had been large, the bank had been winning, and the gambler's eyes glittered with excitement. His hand trembled as he made bet after bet, only to see the gold raked over to the care of the imperturbable

Pushing his chair back, he wiped the perspiration from his brow as he hoarsely muttered:

"My yacht is worth £10,000, and is a bargain at that figure. She is lying at Cowes, fitted out complete for a year's cruise. I will pledge her against the amount named.

The proprietor never hesitated, and while tapping a gold snuffbox bearing the medallion of Louis XIV noddel gravely to his antagonist. A hushed, almost painful, stillness settled upon that immediate circle, and with breathless interest the result was looked for. It was not long deferred. The bank won, and the desperate gameter arose from the table a ruined man a Five minates later a pistol shot rang out, alarming the patrons of the place; the gendarmes filed in, and the corpse of the nobleman was taken to the morgue.

The affair made a tremendous stir. with public sentiment running high against the proprietor of the gilded den. so much so that the politic Frenchman gladly disposed of the yacht to me for a ridiculously small sum, glad to rid himself of the elephant at almost any figure.

I proceeded at ouce to Cowes to take possession of my new purchase, and to my great disappointment found that the crew had dispersed. No one was on board but the steward, who had long been in the employ of his late unfortunate muster.

I was fortunate in running across a bright young fellow at the American sonant's, whom I engaged at once as master. He had been left behind, sick in the hospital, and was looking for a chance as mate when I appeared upon the scene. His name was Crowell-Fred Crowell and, like most of his namesikes, was a thorough seaman, and a man every inch of him. We struck a Emrgain at once, seel leaving all the detalls in Crowell's hands to get everything ready for a cruise up the Meditor. raneau. I departed for Paris to arrange a pleasant party to accompany me on

One of say friends, who was compelled to back out at the last moment in account of urgent bearines, made a styring appeal in behalf of a relativean oil gentleman, a widower, having no que to care for or caress him but his daughter, Isabel Haymouri, a beautiful girl, whose rare devotion and bresly traits of character improved me at

I must render that I did not view favorably my friend's proposition, for I out on dock, and in five minutes the day Review had so invention of vecciving belies on board, but se he put it organify on the ready. basis of a personal favor, I finally consental not without a since of sancy-

BROWLIE BY SHATTIFF. generalizing was pronounced perfect on beard, from the source wikes hangings deadly work should and upholotory in the calves to the tea-

ernamenting the snow white deck of the danger that was brewing, while

handsome craft. The yacht had been out, I think, about four days, and all of us were beginning to get our sea legs on, when Captain Crowell knocked at my stateroom door, just after breakfast, and requested a private interview. His usually bright and open countenance were a troubled. expression. I conjectured at once that my entiting master had intelligence of an appleasant obseracter to communicate. And so it proved.

"Mr. Lacy, I dislike exceedingly to disturb your pleasure or excite unuscessary suspicious as to the state of affairs on board your yacht, but I should not be penforming my duty, sir, if I neglected longer to give you my views on the matter. To be brief, sir, I found it extremely difficult to secure a crew for the yacht, and it was simply impossible to follow your instructions relative to accepting none but picked men. Seamen were not to be had, for somehow they fought shy of making so short a trip on a yacht. I knew you would expect the yacht ready upon your arrival at Cowes with your party, and I had some pride | was turned to the murderous scoundrel. in the matter as to reporting everything ready, having just entered your employ, so I had recourse to the services of the I shipped what you see here, twelve men in all-five Frenchmen, four Italians, one Maltese, one Norwegian and a negro. I cannot youch for one of them, and if you had not been in such a hurry I would have rejected every mother's son of them. As it is, we can get rid of them as opportunities offer. They have had their heads together lately carrying on a whispered conversation, and you see, sir, we are at a disadvantage in not having a good second mate and boatswain. The gentlemen art here, including yourself, wear more or less expensive jewel-

"Good heavens, Crowell, what of her? Come to the point at once!" "Simply, that the Maltese sailor has mouse, and I fear there is trouble ahead. I have my revolver loaded and ready. I would suggest that you and the gentlemen do likewise, and be ready for a call. In other words, sleep with one eye open:" and bowing respectfully, my broad shouldered captain returned to

ry, and the young lady, who is"-

his duties on deck. Here was news with a vengeance, and you may depend, gentlemen, I had but little appetite for dinner, while my interest in yachting took a sudden tumble. The unfortunate Irishman's yacht had been obtained through bloodshed, and I was superstitions enough to believe that the fatality might cling to her. I heartily wished myself and the entire party on shore. I would not alarm them by what the master had stated to me, but a casual inquiry revealed the fact that there was not a weapon of any description aft save my own revolver, which I at once loaded and placed in an inner

We were off Cape St. Vincent, bowling along with a fine breeze, and the glowing beauties of a gorgeous sunset had tempted Miss Raymond from the bedside of her father for a few moments. Poor child! she looked pale and wan, and the fresh air was sadly needed, she having been closely confined below in consequence of the rapid strides the malady had made upon her father. The sea voyage had not proved beneficial, and there was but little doubt that the hand of death was upon him.

Miss Isabel was standing by the break | g of the quarter deck on the weather side while I had stepped to leeward of the at the coast, which was in plain view.

A slight exclamation of alarm caught tese leering with an unmistakable exwas extended, as if on the point of grasp- an orphan. ing her clothing, which was sufficient drel. Snatching a brass belaying pin felling him to the deck as if struck by

The crew, attracted by the confusion of it, paused, looked at one another and me no opportunity to explain or apolo-

gize for the fellow's conduct. It was evening; the deck was practi- D. Smith in True Flag. cally deserted save by Crowell, who was pacing the weather side of the quarter deck, and myself, who, stretched out on a hencoop, was enjoying a cigar down to leeward, on the main deck, pretty well concealed by the deep shadow thrown by the huge lug foresail. The gentlemen aft were deep in the mysteries of a game of poker, and the subdued hum of their voices occasionally reached my ear as the yacht keeled over to leeward. The moon was rising, the wind came steadily over the quarter, the sea appeared like one liquid mass of fire and the evening was simply perfect.

The harsh guttural voice of the Maltese suddenly broke upon my ear, and I must confess I was startled. I knew the fellow should have been in irons, confined below, and his presence on deck in so open and defiant a manner boded us, the passengers and officers, no good. It proved conclusively that the cr-w were in league. and at any moment a concerted movement for marder and plunder might

beenle forth. "Is everything ready?" growled the Maltere

"Yes Long Joe is at the wheel, and he has his long bladed knife sharpened for the skipper." "And I'm ready to carve the d-d

Aspericano who hit me ober de head, I'se not got de bracelets off none too soon, would like it yourself. Above all things, and I'm hungry for blood." "The nigger will take care of the cabin

must make a racket over the after com- summit. Change your exercise ground to all as they show up. We will look hie to beredom as men - London Saturyecht will be ours. Away now, and be

With a greed the Multese erept over the low bulwarks, and stealthily as a diet's dog had five dear little pupples. cat worked his way aft, where, with a but I don't see but one. Where are the All were delighted with the yackt, and low "Hote" he signaled the man at the others' wheel that he ready for his share of the Little Hostess (who boards)-I'm sure

Captain Crowell was slowly walking treday. Dear mel We had porgen for Keys, Stale Repairing, Saw Filing and a

scarcely knowing what to do, and at a lose how to communicate with the master without creating suspicion, crept aft, revolver in hand, keeping well to leeward and under cover of the high. protecting bulwarks. Occasionally I could see the outline of the Maltese satior as he peered over the rail and noted the gesture of the man at the wheel in response to the cautious signals given by his confederate, who was evidently becoming impatient of delay. As I gripped my revolver I felt assured that the storm threatening would not be long delayed, and my heart beat rapidly as the crisis approached. One incautious move on my part, and all

might be lost. A slight tap of the bell forward, a mere jingle, was heard, and in an in stant the tall, lithe form of the fellow at the wheel started into activity. With one stealthy movement he drew a long claspkutes from the bosom of his shirt. his body inclining forward, the weapon poised, ready to plunge it into the back of the unsuspecting master, whose back

From my hiding place I could note every movement made in the moonlight, and my nerves had become steady as I American consul. With his assistance drew a bead on the figure who would have committed murder without a qualm of conscience, if indeed he had any.

It was the first time in my life I had ever been called upon to shed human blood, and I must confess, gentlemen, I felt awfully queer. But it was no time for sentiment or delay. It was my life or his, to say nothing of the others on board. I aimed for his broad, stalwart breast, and with the sharp crack of the revolver the man leaped convulsively into the air, falling dead at the feet of

the startled Crowell. In an instant I was by his side. The master took in the situation at once, and ere the Maltese had gained a footing on deck my cool headed sailor had finished his villainous career, the body dropping been eying her much as a cat would a into the sea, and was soon whirling astern in the bubbling wake of the yacht. Then shoulder to shoulder we turned as the crew in a confused mobcame swarming aft, their knives gleaming in the moonlight, uttering savage oaths for vengeance as they charged bodily up to the quarter deck. Fortunately for Crowell and myself they did not possess firearms.

"Be sure of your aim, sir," was the master's caution in a low, cool voice, "and don't spare them."

And you may depend we didn't. We fired into the surging, struggling mass at a pointblank range, winding up the careers of four mutineers in less time than it takes to relate it. The remainder, warned, fell back irresolute, and as we advanced upon them, our weapons still smoking at the muzzles, they beat a precipitate retreat.

By this time the party in the cabin had taken the alarm. In a body they came to our assistance, and but little trouble was experienced in cowing the survivore into submission. Securely shackled they were placed below, and the vacht was once more safe.

Of course the cruise was broken up. Like myself, the balance of the party had no desire to keep on when they realized the danger they had been in and the narrow escape we had all experienced.

We all lent a hand in working the craft into Gibraltar, where the men were tried and condemned to the chain

During the excitement and row of the melee the frail hold that Mr. Raymond main boom for a moment to take a look retained upon life was loosened. The shock and fright proved too much for the poor old gentleman, and he breathed my ear, and turning quickly I detected his last as we were giving the mntineers the villainous countenance of the Mai-their coup de grace. He was laid to rest in the beautiful English burying ground pression at the young lady. His hand at Gibraltar, and his daughter was left

One year from that date I led her to for me to act without wasting one word | the altar, and that was the outcome of upon the scarred, swarthy faced scoun- my yachting cruise, gentlemen, my first and last. Neither Isabel nor myself from the fiferail, I brought it down with has any desire to ever step on board of crushing force upon the fellow's head, a pleasure craft of any description. The associations, for her at least, are too painful, and we are content to remain

upon terra firma. The yacht I turned over to Crowell, then began to hitch up their waistbands and the brave fellow deserved all I did and bare their arms, as if bent upon for him. The understanding was if he mischief without further delay. But could do anything with her he was to Crowell, stepping forward, ordered them | pay me one-half of what I originally to resume their work, while I stepped gave for her. He took her round the below, snatched a pair of handcuffs from | cape, went into the China sea and ala spare locker and we soon had the though I cannot vouch for all that fol-Maltese secured and stowed away in the lowed I always suspected he went into fore peak. In the meanwhile Miss Ray-mond had disappeared below, leaving little more than a year he owned the yacht, and I was glad to have the ill omened craft off my hands.-Captain H.

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